



**Helicopter Pilot – Wildland Firefighting**  
**Resource Protection Division**  
**Recruitment # 2007-02-6732**

**AGENCY MISSION AND CHALLENGE:**

The mission of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is to provide professional, forward-looking stewardship of our state lands, natural resources, and environment. DNR provides leadership under the Commissioner of Public Lands, an elected official, in creating a sustainable future for the State Trust Lands.

At the DNR, we envision a future in which our human and natural environment provides abundant and diverse social, ecological, and economic benefits for the people of Washington, in this and all future generations. In acting to ensure the vision, we ensure sustainability.

DNR manages over 5 million acres of state-owned land that includes forest, range, commercial, agricultural and aquatic lands. Since 1970 DNR-managed lands have generated \$6 billion that support public schools, state institutions and county services. These lands also provide public benefits that include fish and wildlife habitat, clean and abundant water and public access to outdoor recreation. The DNR operates with a biennial budget of approximately \$400 million and has over 1300 employees. For more information about the department, see the DNR website at [www.dnr.wa.gov](http://www.dnr.wa.gov).

You can find more information about the department and our aviation program at our [DNR Home Page](#) and by clicking site map, go to fire, go to aviation and click on Helitack.

<b>Job Classification:</b>	Aircraft Pilot 2
<b>Type of Position:</b>	This is a permanent position with seasonal layoff. This position is represented by the WFSE. Once appointed to this position the incumbent will be required to pay union dues or other representation fee within the first 30 days of employment.
<b>Monthly Salary Range:</b>	\$3,286 - \$4,207
<b>Benefits Package:</b>	Health and dental insurance, retirement pension, vacation, sick leave and holidays
<b>Posting Date:</b>	February 9, 2007
<b>Closing Date:</b>	Open until filled
<b>Location:</b>	Olympia, WA

**POSITION PROFILE**

The DNR anticipates that there will be several openings available during the 2007 fire season. Hiring and training begin in April and fire season general lasts through October. Pilots may continue to be on-call throughout the year. DNR helicopter pilots act as Pilot-in-Command responding to wildfires throughout Washington State. This includes transporting fire crews, equipment and supplies, conducting aerial reconnaissance and dropping water.

**REQUIRED POSITION QUALIFICATIONS**

- Applicants must have 1,500 hours of Pilot-in-Command (PIC) time in turbine engine powered helicopters, including field operations with sling loads.
- Valid Federal Aviation Agency Commercial Certificate with Rotorcraft rating.
- Current first class or second class medical certificate.
- Current Washington state drivers license
- Must be at least 18 years of age at the time of hire.

**SPECIAL POSITION REQUIREMENTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS**

- These positions will require travel throughout the state. An employee who drives as part of their job duties are required to have a valid drivers license and 2 years of driving experience.

## SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

On a separate sheet of paper please answer the following:

1. List your flight hours in the following categories:
  - a. Total PIC in helicopters in the last 12 months
  - b. Total PIC in turbine engine powered helicopters
  - c. Total PIC in UH-1 series and/or Bell 204/205/212/214/412
  - d. Total PIC in AH-1 series and/or Bell 209
  - e. Total PIC firefighting in any helicopter
  - f. Total external load. How much is vertical reference?
  - g. Total time in helicopters
  - h. Total time in any aircraft other than helicopters
2. Explain the extent of your helicopter experience in firefighting.
3. Explain the extent of your helicopter experience in low-level operations.
4. Explain the extent of your helicopter experience in mountainous operations.
5. Explain any other qualifications, job related education, training, and experience that may help you meet the requirement for this position.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

To be considered for this position applicants must submit the following:

- A completed application – [www.dnr.wa.gov/jobs/stateapp.doc](http://www.dnr.wa.gov/jobs/stateapp.doc) that includes a complete 10 year history that consists of employment, education, and/or periods of unemployment, etc.
- Copy of your FAA commercial certificate
- Copy of your current medical certificate
- Answers to the supplemental questions
- A current (not more than 30 days old) 3-year non-commercial driving abstract from the state that you are currently licensed. In Washington the abstract can be obtained for a \$5 fee from any Department of Licensing office.

The first screening will be based on information contained in your state application and the responses to the supplemental questions. If any of the required materials are missing we will not be able to process your application.

Submit all materials by the closing date to:

**Electronic method preferred**

[dnrrecruiting@wadnr.gov](mailto:dnrrecruiting@wadnr.gov)

OR other method

Roberta Searles  
Department of Natural Resources  
PO BOX 47033  
Olympia, WA 98504-7033

**NOTE: Please indicate Helicopter Pilot-WF, Recruitment #2007-02-6732 in the subject line of your e-mail.**

By submitting the application materials you are indicating that all information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. You understand that the state may verify information and that untruthful or misleading information is cause for removal from applicant pool or dismissal if employed.

Questions? Please contact Pete Peterson, Chief Helicopter Pilot, at 360-753-5314 or 360-790-9635.

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